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SUBJECT: BRITISH-UAE RELATIONS AND THE ARAB SUMMIT

REF: ABU DHABI 1555

1. REFTEL MENTIONED BRITISH EMBASSY OFFICER'S STATEMENT THAT FCO INSTRUCTED ALL ITS EMBASSIES IN ARAB COUNTRIES TO MAKE LOW KEY DEMARCHE CAUTIONING POSSIBLE HARM TO ARAB CAUSE IF SUMMIT CONFERENCE WERE TO ADOPT INFLEXIBLE NEGOTIATING POSITION SIMILAR TO THAT WHICH EMANATED FROM 1967 SUMMIT AT KHARTOUM. FOR THE RECORD, OUR FCO CONTACTS (HEADS OF BOTH NEAR EAST/NORTH AFRICA AND MIDDLE EAST DEPARTMENTS) DENY ANY INSTRUCTIONS TO MAKE DEMARCHE WERE SENT. RATHER, BRITISH POSITION WAS MADE CLEAR TO THESE POSTS AND (WE SUPPOSE) THEY WERE FREE TO DRAW ON IT IF ASKED.

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2. IT DOES NOT SEEM TO MAKE MUCH DIFFERENCE NOW, BUT

WE DO NOT SEE WHY FCO OFFICIALS SHOULD WISH TO HIDE ANY  
SUCH DEMARCHE FROM US (ESPECIALLY AS THEY MUST SUSPECT  
WE WOULD HEAR OF IT ANYWAY FROM SOME ARAB SOURCE IF NOT  
A BRITISH) SINCE SUCH DEMARCHE WOULD TEND TO BUILD  
CREDIT FOR HMG IN US EYES RATHER THAN THE OPPOSITE.  
IS IT POSSIBLE THAT BRITISH IN ABU DHABI WERE GIVEN  
SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS TO MAKE DEMARCHE IN CONTEXT OF  
PRIVATE UK-UAE RELATIONSHIP AND BRITISH WOULD PREFER  
NOT TO REVEAL THIS PREMATURELY?

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